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Top-Level Talks Today

Group of Ten Renews Quest For Trade, Monetary Accord

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hold out for as much as 8 percent.

The ministers are hoping to hold bilateral trade talks in a bid to reach some short-term commercial arrangements.

These could include revocation of the American-Canadian auto agreement, liberalization of restrictions against U.S. exports of tobacco and citrus products, and

adjustment of Japanese import-export prices for certain manufactured products.

The United States wants the Europeans to change the pricing structure of their farm products, to open up their markets to the Japanese products now flooding the United States and to modify their policies with regard to associate membership of the community.

Crucial to the outcome of the talks will be the extent of the U.S. short-term trade demands against which it is prepared to devalue the dollar, and lift the import surcharge and "buy American" proposals.

If these are confined over the next few days to technically simple areas, then a monetary agreement appears likely. The European and Japanese governments would then undertake to negotiate the broader trade questions over a longer period and in a more stable diplomatic and financial climate, observers believe.

Members of the Group of Ten are the United States, Japan, Canada, Britain, Sweden and five of the six European Common Market member countries, excluding Luxembourg.

EEC Adopts Hard Line on Trade Talks

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include advantages in the dairy sector and on almonds.

In addition, the community is to ask the United States to say what it intends to do, and when, about a series of trade grievances by the community. These include the alleged abuses of anti-dumping regulations by the United States and discriminatory bans on certain imports.

One concession

The question of the "American selling price" used to bring the price of imported chemicals up to domestic levels is also to be raised, the sources said.

According to the mandate, the EEC is only willing to make one real concession—increasing its present carry-over stock of soft wheat by up to 50 percent, or 12 million tons, in the 1971-72 season.

This partly meets U.S. demands that the EEC should stock 10 percent of its soft wheat production to avoid flooding world markets. But the U.S. government had asked that this be done two years running, and that the same policy should be applied to feed grains.

The community also undertakes not to use its export subsidy system following a dollar devaluation to undercut the United States in cereals in the 1971-72 season.

But it rules out any discussion of the EEC's price policy and of the EEC's variable import levy—which the United States wants scrapped—except in the context of international farm policy talks and of world agreements on specific products.

Tito Speech Hails Settlement of Croatian Dispute

BELGRADE, Dec. 16 (UPI)—President Tito said today that the outcome of a major political crisis in the Croatian Communist leadership showed that Yugoslavia is capable of safeguarding its unity and independence.

President Tito delivered a 50-minute report to the country's foreign policy to the Yugoslav parliament, in his address broadcast over the nationwide radio and television networks, the 79-year-old leader made only a brief reference to domestic affairs.

The president said that the decisions made at the Yugoslav Communist party Presidium session on Dec. 1-2 were of "enormous significance also for our international position and reputation." At the session, President Tito accused the Communist leadership of Croatia, one of Yugoslavia's six republics, of "rotten liberalism" on nationalism and separatism that threatened the unity of Yugoslavia.

Croatia's leaders bowed to his criticism and resigned. This sparked off protests by a small number of students in Zagreb, the capital of Croatia.

Million Workers Stage Stoppages Throughout Italy

ROME, Dec. 16 (AP)—More than a million workers went on strike for several hours in Italy today, idling the huge Fiat automobile plant, metal and chemical industries and the cities of Naples and Turin.

Unions called out half a million employees in the chemical industry on a four-hour strike to protest layoffs.

Also on strike were 270,000 workers in the state-owned metal industries, including the country's main steelworks and shipyards. The strikers were demanding better working conditions in some of the plants.

The unions called a three-hour general strike in Turin and a four-hour stoppage in Naples. These were in protest against increasing unemployment and delays on government social reforms.

The Turin strike idled Fiat, the nation's largest private employer.

U.S. Sea Force Still Heading For Bengal

Dacca Surrender Said Not to Alter Plans

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—A U.S. naval task force headed by the aircraft carrier Enterprise is continuing toward East Pakistan despite the Pakistani surrender to Indian forces, informed sources said today.

"The surrender does not really change a thing," the sources said. "The Soviet fleet is still active in the area and the situation in East Pakistan is still confused."

The eight-ship American fleet, which is already in the Bay of Bengal, is understood to include destroyers, a helicopter carrier and amphibious craft. It would presumably help evacuate foreigners stranded in East Pakistan. Reliable sources said that there were also 2,000 Marines aboard the ships.

The Enterprise, the world's biggest aircraft carrier, and its escort vessels are normally stationed in the Gulf of Tonkin, off the coast of Vietnam.

The United States has not yet decided whether to evacuate American officials and private citizens still in East Pakistan.

A Pentagon spokesman, while still not acknowledging that any U.S. naval vessels were in the Bay of Bengal, said that it would be very gratifying if there were a cease-fire on both fronts in the Indo-Pakistan war.

"Whether this would change the contingency planning (for evacuation of civilians) is hard to say at this point," the spokesman said.

He refused to comment when asked whether this implied that the Enterprise would remain in the area while fighting continued on India's border with West Pakistan.

Russia Accuses U.S.

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (AP).—The Soviet press charged again today that the movement by U.S. naval forces into the Bay of Bengal was American "gunboat diplomacy" designed to "put psychological pressure on India."

Two major Soviet newspapers, Pravda and Krasnaya Sveta (Red Star), condemned the American action and said that the United States "will certainly be resolutely condemned by the world public."

The articles did not mention the Soviet Union's own buildup of ships in the Indian Ocean. About 30 Russian warships are reported to be in the area.

War in West Will Continue

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turned into the biggest armored conflict of the war.

The clash was reported near Shaktapur inside West Pakistan, 40 miles east of Sialkot. India said 45 enemy tanks had been destroyed in the day-old battle, while it had lost 15 tanks.

In northern Kashmir, Indian forces mounted fresh attacks on Pakistani outposts.

In Karachi, Pakistan's biggest city and the western province's main port, 54 persons—mostly women and children—were reportedly killed in an Indian air raid last night. Pakistan also said 16 had been killed in raids by enemy planes in the Sialkot area.

The sources said that the United States had rejected the offer and said that it had no intention of establishing bases in the Persian Gulf area following the withdrawal of British military forces this month.

State Department officials also reportedly urged the emirate to reconsider "very seriously" the decision to remain outside the union of six Persian Gulf states.

California Doooms Murderer of Five

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., Dec. 16 (AP).—A jury ordered yesterday that John Linley Fraser, 26, die in the gas chamber for the murder last year of Dr. Victor

Ohia and four others.

Fraser was convicted of shooting Dr. Ohia, his wife, two sons and a secretary at the eye surgeon's home on Oct. 19, 1970.

The jury found Fraser sane in a separate phase of the trial. He had pleaded not guilty because of insanity.

Flu Epidemic Strikes 1.8 Million Hungarians

BUDAPEST, Dec. 16 (AP).—The worst influenza epidemic in Hungary's history has laid low 1.8 million Hungarians, the National Public Health Institute said yesterday.

A spokesman predicted the number of cases would reach two million, fifth of the population by the end of the year.

But he said, the worst appears to be over. The 200,000 new cases reported in the week ended Dec. 11 were 160,000 fewer than the previous week.



Pakistan President Yahya Khan speaking on the radio yesterday in Rawalpindi.

United Press International.

Predicts Turbulent Future for Delhi

China Protests Indian 'Incursions'

By Tillman Durdin

HONG KONG, Dec. 16 (NYT).

—In a formal statement on the Indian-Pakistan war, the government of Communist China today predicted a turbulent future for India and backed this up by filing a strong protest in New Delhi over alleged Indian incursions from Sikkim into the Tibet area of China.

The statement and the protest were reported here in quick succession tonight by Hsinhua, the Chinese press agency.

The protest could foreshadow military pressure from China, a strong supporter of Pakistan, along sections of the eastern Himalayan border between India and China.

The 1,800-word statement warned India that "he who plays with fire will be consumed by fire," and stated that "henceforth, there will be no tranquility for the Indian people."

Calling attention to what it

termed India's own problems with minorities, similar to those manifested by the people of East Bengal against Pakistan, the statement said: "It may be asked how India would react if other countries should deal with India in the same way that India is today dealing with Pakistan, and use armed force against India."

The statement cited as an example the national aspirations of the Kashmiris and recalled that India had gone back on its agreement to hold a plebiscite to decide whether Kashmir belonged to India or Pakistan.

The Chinese protest, which was in the form of a short, separate document from the statement, said that Peking had sent a note to New Delhi objecting to intrusions into China for reconnaissance across the China-Sikkim boundary at Sese La. The protest said that the intrusions came on two occasions, both on Dec. 10, by seven Indian armed personnel, who came in two groups.

"This is a grave encroachment upon Chinese territory," the protest said, and demanded that "the Indian government immediately stop its activities of intrusion into Chinese territory."

India is responsible for the defense of the little Himalayan state of Sikkim, as well as for its neighbor, Bhutan, and keeps troops stationed along the border between the two states and Tibet.

China has in the past supported Pakistan's claim to Kashmir, and also aided the Naga and Mizo hill tribesmen in northeast India. These minorities have fought against India for their independence.

Tonight's statement was the first formal government declaration to come from Peking since the start of warfare between India and Pakistan. It followed familiar lines in condemning India and Russia over the war, but included also an indirect slap at Britain and France by scoring "certain big powers" for remaining neutral, inactive and silent about the conflict.

The statement said that East Pakistan's political and refugee problems were internal matters of the kind in which no outside state had a right to interfere. The statement likened India's armed intervention in East Pakistan, utilizing a separatist movement to do so to Japan's action in taking over Manchuria and setting up the puppet state of Manchukuo.

China said that Russia was playing a shameful role as the "backstage manager" of the Indian expansionists and the supplier of arms for Indian aggression.

Formulating a new word, the statement said that Moscow wanted to turn India into a "superpower."

India Denies Intrusion

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—India today rejected as "totally without foundation" a Chinese accusation that Indian armed personnel had encroached into its territory along the border with Sikkim.

An official spokesman, categorically denying the charge, said: "We do not and cannot accept the protest."

Bolivian Hijacker Shot Dead After He Slays Pilot

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—A hijacker was shot dead by police in an airport gun battle today after he murdered the pilot of the plane, seized on a domestic flight.

The shooting broke out at Cochabamba in central Bolivia, 280 miles southwest of here, when the twin-engine Fairchild of Lloyd Air Bolivia landed to refuel.

Police surrounded the plane and airport authorities refused to allow it to take off again.

The hijacker, described as a leftist extremist, killed the pilot and wounded the co-pilot and a passenger. He was then shot and killed by police, the officials said.

The hijacker, identified as Wilfredo Urduinea, had demanded to be flown to Chile.

Bulgaria Names Foreign Minister

SOFIA, Dec. 12 (UPI).—Bulgaria's state council today appointed Peter Mladenov, 35, as new foreign minister to succeed Ivan Bashev, who was killed in a sinking accident last weekend.

Mr. Mladenov's appointment was suggested by Todor Zhivkov, head of the state council and first secretary of the Communist party, and approved by the national assembly. Mr. Mladenov is a graduate of the International Institute in Moscow and speaks three foreign languages—Russian, English and French—but never was in the diplomatic service.

To Await Effective Cease-Fire India Asks UN to Demand Troop Pullout Requ

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 16 (AP).—India urged the UN Security Council today to defer discussion on troop withdrawals and other problems until a cease-fire has been consolidated.

Foreign Minister Sardar Swaran Singh was replying to a demand by the representative of Somalia, Abdurrahman Abdi Farah, for information on India's plans for withdrawing its troops from East and West Pakistan.

Mr. Singh said that Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's cease-fire proposal was "positive and constructive."

"At the present moment," he said, "I would earnestly appeal that this council could more profitably bring about a cease-fire and then afterward all these matters can be discussed."

Relevant Matter

"I am not saying away. It is a relevant and most important matter. I would appeal to the Security Council to bring about a cease-fire before juridical and other matters are discussed."

The fate of a half-dozen cease-fire resolutions before the council remained in doubt as consultations continued.

The surrender of Pakistani forces in East Pakistan is believed to improve the chances of the council adopting a cease-fire and troop-withdrawal resolution.

While the guns have been silenced in East Pakistan, battles still rage 1,000 miles across India on West Pakistan's frontier.

Truce Proposals

Five cease-fire proposals were before the council at today's meeting.

Soviet, Syrian and British-French resolutions were added last night to Italian-Japanese and Polish proposals introduced Monday and Tuesday.

Word of the surrender, which came after adjournment early this morning, was believed to have made the Soviet-United States likely to veto the British-French resolution, if not the Italian-Japanese proposal.

Restraint in Egypt

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—The Soviet government, which strongly supported India during the 12-day conflict in East Pakistan, reacted quietly today to the news of Pakistan's surrender in Dacca.

The government newspaper, Izvestia, the first to report the surrender here, printed the news on its front page under the headline, "On the Indo-Pakistan Front."

But the press has shown no such restraint in attacking the American and Chinese positions on the conflict, reflecting what diplomats here see clearly as the interplay of great power interest behind the fighting.

Heath Sees Final Break

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Prime Minister Edward Heath said today that "there can be no return" to the shattered unity of East and West Pakistan.

"There may be differences between our approach and that of the United States and in our analysis of the reasons for the present conflict," he said.

"But we share the same desire to bring the fighting to an end."

Cautious in France

PARIS, Dec. 16 (AP).—French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann said today that France is not contemplating diplomatic recognition of Bangladesh "in the immediate future."

Interviewed by Europe-1 radio station, Mr. Schumann was asked whether there was any prospect of a cease-fire.

He refused to comment on U.S. treaty commitments still applied at present, but said that he did not see how he could say anything on the subject, "under present circumstances, in a way that complicates diplomatic relations with the United States."

He added that the future status of Pakistan will be, and a policy will be, and a resolution to propose at the UN.

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"No," Mr. Schumann. "At present the independence of Bangladesh has been declared only by India and Pakistan. The United States has not taken the possibility of a new open possibility, but in immediate future."

Asked to comment on movement of the U.S. fleet into the Indian Ocean, Mr. Schumann said: "American policy is to seek a sort of equilibrium between the Indian Ocean and the Atlantic, and to ensure that this becomes the private life of other fleets."

Red Cross Reminds

GENEVA, Dec. 16 (UPI).—International Red Cross reminded parties to Pakistan conflict that under obligation to humane actions.

The Red Cross said it urged the reminder because of the surrender of Pakistan East Pakistan.

It said that both bound to respect the 11 Conventions.

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stan regarding an over fire in the area will if fighting continues western border, then look on that with concern. We would be concerned," Mr. Ziegler said.

In Mrs. Gandhi's public today, the president said that she was "in the U.S. interest," he said, "to see that the U.S. Navy ships in the Indian Ocean are not to deploy force objective of confront."

Mr. Ziegler gave no today that the fall of stan would in any way the pro-Pakistan U.S. the conflict.

No 'Surrender' I

Mr. Ziegler declined word "surrender" to a situation, speaking of "cease-fire." He said that the United States India, and he again confirm or deny the U.S. Navy ships in the Indian Ocean.

The press secretary the President, who will remainder of the week Bayview retreat, was reports on the way by with his national press. Henry Kissinger, who is in Washington in the capital, the parliament stated that States was prepared to "a great deal" of his assistance to the pop both sides of the East border as soon as the ended.

Press Officer Robert Closskey noted that the situation had already a great request for an \$250 million for this purpose.

UN Efforts Cited

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She called on Mr. Nixon "as President of the United States and reflecting the will, the aspirations and idealism of the great American people" to "let me know where precisely we have gone wrong before your representatives or spokesmen deal with us with such harshness of language."

She appeared to be referring to background briefings by White House officials and statements from the State Department criticizing India.

As for the talk of reaching a political solution to avoid the war, Mrs. Gandhi said "only lip service was paid to the need for a political solution, but not a single worthwhile step was taken to bring this about."

"Instead, the rulers of West Pakistan went ahead, holding farcical elections to seats which had been arbitrarily declared vacant."

Mrs. Gandhi told Mr. Nixon in her letter she was writing to him "at a moment of deep anguish at the unhappy turn which the relations between our two countries have taken."

"I am setting aside all pride, prejudices and passion and trying, as calmly as I can, to analyze once again the origins of the tragedy which is being enacted," she added.

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# To Avert Election India Asks Troop Pullout Amendment Loses Majority Vote in House

By Spencer Rich  
NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (UPI).—A vote on a bill to allow the Indian government to pull out troops from the Middle East and other areas, which would have ended the 130-to-101 vote in the House today, was defeated by a narrow margin of 130 to 101.

## U.S. Toll Nam Is Killed

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (UPI).—A U.S. soldier was killed in a helicopter crash in North Vietnam today, the latest in a series of accidents involving U.S. troops in the region.

## U.S. Jet Abducted

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (UPI).—A U.S. military jet was abducted in North Vietnam today, the latest in a series of incidents involving U.S. aircraft in the region.

## Japan Prepared to Apologize To China for Wartime Acts

TOKYO, Dec. 16 (UPI).—Foreign Minister Takeo Fukuda said today that Japan is prepared to make a formal apology to the Chinese people for the war.

## Michigan to Pay \$10,000 to Offset 30 Years in Jail

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 16 (UPI).—The Michigan House of Representatives today voted to give \$10,000 to a man who spent 30 years in prison for a crime he did not commit.

## U.S. Staging Talks

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (UPI).—The U.S. State Department today announced that it was staging talks with the Chinese government.

## Fog Obscures Only

PARIS, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—At least 200 flights scheduled to land at Orly airport here today have been diverted, delayed or canceled because of thick fog blanketing the runway.



END OF THE LINE—Captain Leo Lady next to the harpoon gun on his whaling ship Donna May in Point Richmond, Calif., as the last season ended on Wednesday. The U.S. Commerce Department's ban on future whaling put an end to the U.S. whaling fleet that was once the mightiest in the world, with over 750 ships in 1840, just about the same time that Herman Melville wrote his "Moby Dick."

## Cuba Concedes It Captured 'Pirate Ship' and Blames U.S.

MIAMI, Dec. 16 (UPI).—Cuba admitted today that it captured a Miami-based freighter off the southern Bahamas and warned that its submarines will go any distance from our coast to seize "pirate ships."

## U.S. Aids Recalled

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (UPI).—The U.S. Coast Guard recalled today that it captured a Cuban naval vessel that stands guard against pirate ships that have harassed our territory at the service of the CIA.

## U.S. Seeks Villa's Release

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla., Dec. 16 (UPI).—Presidential press secretary Ron Ziegler said the United States was determined to obtain the release of Captain Villa.

## Packard Giving \$19 Million In Stock Profits to Charity

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (UPI).—David Packard, the California businessman who resigned last week as deputy defense secretary, has announced that he is giving \$19.8 million in stock holdings to charity to avoid any conflict of interest during his three years in government.

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## In One Kind of Heart Disease Computer Makes Diagnosis From X-Rays

By Lawrence Altman  
NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (UPI).—A University of Missouri radiologist said here yesterday that he and his colleagues had developed an experimental computer program that could accurately diagnose one type of heart disease on X-ray films of the chest.

## Two Hostages Released By Inmates at N.J. Prison

BORDENTOWN, N.J., Dec. 16 (AP).—Two hostages held by 100 rebellious inmates at the Yardville Correction Center were released unhurt today after the grievances of inmates were broadcast on a local radio station, Gov. William T. Cahill announced.

## Paris Cancer Expert, 87, Commits Suicide

PARIS, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—Prof. Antoine Lacassagne, 87, a renowned cancer specialist and director of the Curie Institute of Cancer Research, committed suicide today by jumping from the window of his fourth-floor apartment here, police said.

## Train Wreck Kills 3

NOTTINGHAM, England, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—Three men were killed when two freight trains collided on a main line here early today. The engineer of one train was trapped for three hours before being taken to a hospital, where he died.

## Guggenheim Art Stolen in Venice

VENICE, Dec. 16 (UPI).—Burglars stole 18 paintings early today from a palace owned and occupied by expatriate American heiress Peggy Guggenheim. It was the second theft from her collection in 10 months.

## Icelandic Pegs Its Fares Below New IATA Rates

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—Icelandic Airlines today announced a cut in its air fares between New York and Luxembourg.

## Chevalier Gravely III

PARIS, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—French entertainer Maurice Chevalier, 83, who was taken to a hospital with a kidney complaint on Monday, is in serious condition, his secretary said here today.

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## Diplomatic Debacle

The Pakistani military debacle in East Bengal is at the same time a diplomatic debacle for the United States. Futile last-minute White House warnings to Moscow to restrain the Indians in their hour of victory and the provocative dispatch of a carrier task force to the Bay of Bengal can neither conceal nor alleviate this disaster to American prestige and posture throughout the democratic world.

While the White House has been seeking to focus blame on the Russians for a situation that the Soviet Union has indeed been cynically and successfully turning to its own advantage, it must be observed that Soviet gains on the subcontinent have been to a considerable degree made in America. The Nixon administration practically drove India into the waiting arms of the Russians by its silence in the face of the brutal repression in East Pakistan and by the economic and military support it wittingly continued to extend to Pakistan long after that crackdown began last March 25.

The United States government has rightly criticized India for resorting to military action to redress its grievances against Pakistan. But the administration previously failed to do what it could have done to restrain New Delhi from this desperate folly by pressing vigorously for a realistic political solution in East Bengal. It is one thing to condemn India for use of force, which we unreservedly do; it is another to ignore the causes for this action and indeed to have contributed to the conditions that led to it, which regrettably Washington has done.

President Nixon's stubborn backing of the authoritarian military regime in Islamabad, whose survival even in a diminished state is highly doubtful, has helped greatly to expand Soviet influence throughout most of the subcontinent and to create fresh opportunities for Maoist extremism in the confusion and despair that is war's inevitable legacy. Furthermore, it can only undermine faith in American support for free institutions elsewhere in the developing world.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

## The Germans Agree on Berlin

Negotiators of West and East Germany have now filled in the vital specifics of the general Berlin agreement which the United States, the Soviet Union, France and Britain wrote last September. These "inner German" talks were designed to involve the Germans in the work of the wartime Big Four and give them a stake in respecting its result. One set of details regularizes ground access of West Germans to and from West Berlin; if honored by the East, it should end access crises of the sort familiar since the war. A second set permits West Berliners to cross the wall and visit in East Berlin (where they have not been allowed since 1961) and elsewhere in East Germany (not since 1962). In return, East Germany gets respectability and, after an interval, a good chance of Western diplomatic recognition. The Berlin agreements have great significance: They make Germany a safer and more humane land.

The newly initiated agreements open Allied access to further major progress on the road to détente. Willy Brandt will now ask his parliament to ratify the normalization treaties he negotiated earlier with Mos-

cow and Warsaw; that will probably involve a tough battle lasting until next spring. Only then will the Kremlin let the Berlin agreements actually go into effect. And only then will the White House let talks go ahead on a European security conference, whose early convening is a prime Soviet goal. Meanwhile, or so Washington hopes—here is Moscow's leverage—Moscow will permit progress toward the East-West talks on force reductions which are a major American goal.

To lure Moscow into these talks, and to stave off further U.S. congressional pressure for unilateral reductions, ten European members of NATO have just agreed to spend an extra \$1 billion (4 percent) for their own defense in 1972. West Germany has offered to kick in \$2 billion (up \$400 million) over two years to offset the cost of stationing American troops in Germany. The United States, positioning itself for East-West talks, has just put back into Europe 30,000 men who had been taken out earlier and sent to Vietnam; the total, including the Sixth Fleet, now stands at 310,000. This process can now resume as a result of the Germans' achievement on Berlin.

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### International Opinion

#### Moscow's Aims on Subcontinent

It is hardly likely that Indira Gandhi would or could have eluded war if it had been against the determined will of the Soviet Union. What goal was the Kremlin pursuing in giving the green light? It must be one of considerable importance, for Moscow has risked a great deal by taking its one-sided stand against Pakistan in favor of a violent solution and the dismemberment of an Asian nation. Is this goal a humiliation of and a challenge to China, a massive buildup of the Soviet presence to the southwest of Mao's empire? There are Western observers in Moscow who take this view and regard the Kremlin's actions as a strong move against the political strategy being pursued by Nixon and Chou En-lai.

A military decision, a politically shaky structure such as a satellite state or protectorate of Bangladesh, would surely represent not the end of the crisis but its beginning. None of the major problems crystallizing in this regional conflict can be solved on that level. On the contrary, the Sino-Soviet confrontation has been heightened—at least in this part of the world—and the latest kinks in the inter-relationships among the great powers contain little more than the promise of escalation.

—From *Neue Zürcher Zeitung* (Zürich).

#### Devaluing the Dollar

Everyone made concessions. Nixon and Pompidou have opened the way to a settlement of the international monetary crisis. The most spectacular of these concessions is that, of course, made by President Nixon: the dollar will be devalued.

—From *La Libre Belgique* (Brussels).

That Nixon and Pompidou reached agreement is extremely good news. While previously even a postponement of the weekend 10-nation meeting as meaningless was contemplated, it will now be held with the prospects of positive results considerably improved.

—From *Svenska Dagbladet* (Stockholm).

The compromise in Washington next Friday and Saturday will probably come out

between 5 and 7 percent. This will undoubtedly mean that the effective devaluation of the dollar in terms of other currencies is insufficient to correct the U.S. huge basic balance-of-payments deficit of at least \$10 billion. This may be no bad thing, since a permanent U.S. deficit is probably one of the world's chief insurances against a generalized major recession of trade and output.

—From *The Times* (London).

#### It's Nixon's Move

Mr. Nixon, whose press aides sometimes make him sound a very petulant fellow, has caused widespread dismay by statements which appear to attach more importance to his Peking party dates than finding a quick end to war. We cannot yet be assured that the 7th Fleet is available for the logistics of peace—not the huff-puff of worrying Mrs. Gandhi. Nor, vitally, can we any longer be certain that a rational regime exists in Islamabad, a government sober and calm enough to recognize the logic of defeat and come to terms with it.

The sudden confusion reported from Rawalpindi causes the gravest fear. This, surely, is the moment for America and China to bring their ally to the brink of measured decision. Fleet games, veiled threats and more UN rhetoric will only extend the agony of Yahya and the agony of Bangladesh.

—From *The Guardian* (London).

#### Berlin Agreement

The principal credit belongs to Willy Brandt as the successful instigator of the modern Ostpolitik. It was appropriate that at the weekend when the inter-German accords on Berlin were being signed, he should be in Oslo receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. It is also significant that Rainer Barzel, chairman of the opposition party, should be on a visit to Moscow. That trip, too, is directly related to Ostpolitik and the Berlin agreement. Mr. Barzel has been showing increasing awareness that for the Christian Democratic Union to adopt a wholly negative line to Mr. Brandt's policies was bound to alienate middle-of-the-road voters. These are the people whose support he needs if the opposition is to have a chance at the next election.

—From *The Times* (London).



## Pompidou's Victory of the Azores

By James Goldborough

PARIS—It was a most unlikely place to devalue the dollar. A remote Portuguese governor's palace inside which the last decision taken of any moment during the struggle between the French and the Spanish crown.

It became the place where the dollar was done in by the French. And clearest of all is that President Nixon did not come to the Azores with the intention of announcing the devaluation. The idea of a formal joint statement came midway during the final day's meeting between Mr. Nixon and President Georges Pompidou. Drafting the statement extended the final session by 90 minutes.

The obvious thing was to wait for this weekend's Group of Ten meeting in Washington. Devaluations generally come at the weekend when the banks and exchanges are closed and the speculators cannot do their dirty work.

One official said after the meeting that the idea of a joint statement simply "popped up" and that it was Mr. Pompidou who popped it up. The advantages of such a statement for the French president were clear: It made settlement of the monetary crisis seem like a bilateral Franco-American exercise.

How did Mr. Pompidou manage it? He did it first by opposing the French officials who were being insistent in private. There was to be no Gaullist vindictiveness. No wild demands to double the gold price or return to dollar convertibility immediately. This would all take time. A statement of intentions would suffice.

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Pompidou showed his subtlety. Just prior to the Azores meeting, French officials were being insistent in private. There was to be no Gaullist vindictiveness. No wild demands to double the gold price or return to dollar convertibility immediately. This would all take time. A statement of intentions would suffice.

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## The Russians on the Nile

By C. L. Sulzberger

CAIRO.—President Anwar el Sadat was surely speaking the truth when he told me Soviet Russia did not want to keep substantial military contingents in Egypt and was continuing to maintain a considerable force here only in response to persistent Egyptian "persuasion."

There are perhaps 15,000 Russian troops of various sorts stationed here, including training missions, naval and air units, and crews manning SAM (surface-to-air missile) batteries. Sadat assured me: "The Soviets themselves don't want their people to stay here at the SAM sites. I myself try to convince them to keep them here."

He also said there were no more Russians at missile sites in the Suez Canal region which would come under immediate attack in case of renewed hostilities with Israel. Those missiles were now all manned by Egyptian crews. The Soviet crews had been moved to SAM-3 batteries protecting the Nile valley to the rear.

The Egyptian president indicated he was paying the Russians heavily to maintain their present role which is of critical importance. He himself said Israel is militarily stronger than Egypt despite the latter's Soviet aid. He probably hints by this comparison that Israel possesses its own nuclear weapons for use in a dire emergency.

Sadat says he is paying the salaries of the Russian contingent in "hard currency." He wants to keep Soviet military advisers indefinitely "because

war is a science now." Therefore, by implication, he affords the U.S.S.R. "facilities" for its Mediterranean fleet over an indefinite future period—although Sadat would like to keep Egypt out of great power rivalries.

#### Soviets Uneasy

One might be inclined to skepticism about Moscow's supposed reluctance to keep an important military foothold in this strategically located country which controls the entrances to the Red Sea and the Mediterranean Sea. Yet the record shows that the Soviet Union, which apart from being both European and Asian is also the largest Middle Eastern land, has always been uneasy about sticking its neck out in this area.

A few weeks after Israel's victory in the 1967 war—which, according to Sadat, cost Egypt "more than 80 percent" of its arms—Moscow decided to re-equip this country's forces. It swiftly replaced artillery, armor and aircraft losses and added MIG-21 modern fighters and SAM-3 high altitude anti-aircraft missiles.

Nevertheless, this left a gaping hole in Egypt's defenses—vulnerability to low level air attack. Starting in 1968 Cairo asked Moscow for SAM-3 low level missiles with Russian crews. The Kremlin, however, refused—even after the late President Nasser flew to Moscow to plead his case.

The Soviet government was clearly afraid of American reaction and remembered the 1962 Cuban missile crisis. Nevertheless, behind in SAM deployed, behind in Orbital Bombardment system deployed (on the ground), behind in satellite destroying satellites, behind (probably) in large underground nuclear tests.

The United States has better SAMs, but the Russians don't seem worried about them. They're always preferred big warheads to small, and still do, it seems. Mr. Kraft may say that information provided by the Pentagon is wrong or exaggerated; but what better information does he have? No one else produces any at all, and until the Russians agree to publish their figures, and there is real opportunity for verification, Mr. Kraft's figures are the best we've got. Today, it doesn't look as if the United States has particularly got "superiority in the nuclear field."

Mrs. ELIZABETH YOUNG, London.

### Reindeering

Re Jean-Sébastien's letter (HT Dec. 8), I defer to my elder colleague's expertise on the sources of aphrodisiacs.

But I am surprised that Mr. Séjby, who majored in anthropology at Northwestern and taught biology before entering the fourth estate, does not recall the cycle of a reindeer antler.

A reindeer begins to sprout antlers in early spring. By May they are thumb-sized growths, fleshy, bloody tissue still covered with fur and, indeed, filled with marrow, with its reputed aphrodisiac qualities.

By autumn, when mating season rolls around, the antlers have grown and hardened. No more blood, no more marrow.

According to the algonquian house cooperative in northern Sweden which has been dabbling in the

export of antler aphrodisiacs, the problem has been to amputate the growths early enough in the summer before they have hardened on the reindeer's head.

There must be something to it: the South Koreans, who have been shopping around for new sources of aphrodisiacs, slapped a 400% "luxury duty" on imported Swedish baby reindeer antlers.

JOHN A. HERBERT, Drottningholm, Sweden.

### Kraft Figures

Joseph Kraft (HT, Dec. 8) believes that in the context of the kind of arms control agreement that might come out of the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks the United States is in "a posture of superiority in the nuclear field."

Really? The United States is apparently behind in numbers of ICBMs, behind in strategic mag-

toinage, behind in ABM deployed, behind in Orbital Bombardment system deployed (on the ground), behind in satellite destroying satellites, behind (probably) in large underground nuclear tests.

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## Kissinger's Backfiring Background

By Tom Wicker

WASHINGTON—Dr. Henry Kissinger can get into as much of a tangle as high secretary. By late last week he seemed to have backtracked without having covered his bases. He ought to draw the conclusion that he is not too big to fail.

Last week Kissinger summed up the Washington press and public reaction to the "background" information that he had given in the Congressional Record. The "background" was a summary of the "background" information that he had given in the Congressional Record. The "background" was a summary of the "background" information that he had given in the Congressional Record.

Nevertheless, Kissinger is again on the way to Washington from Nixon's Azores meeting with President Pompidou. The dog sat down with a small "pool" of reporters who had been permitted to represent colleagues who were flying in a separate press plane. He proceeded on a "background" basis to be distributed only to those same "officials," a "background" basis to be distributed only to those same "officials," a "background" basis to be distributed only to those same "officials."

By an "examination of fundamental questions," the community has undertaken to begin talks that would eventually lead to a second Kennedy Round of tariff reductions.

So if there was a real quid pro quo in American eyes, still it was a Pompidou success. He established himself as the spokesman for the Common Market and succeeded in getting what he has been asking for months—for years, if his time as Gen. de Gaulle's prime minister is counted: devaluation of the dollar. Remaining to be settled is the fate of the promiscuous \$50 billion Eurodollars, but there have already been several technical solutions advanced.

And to top it all off, Mr. Pompidou even got Mr. Nixon to climb aboard the Concord. It was a very good week.

This has brought the White House down on the press like the Indians on Decca, but a good share of the blame has to go to Kissinger and his boss. It is true that "background" and even "deep background" are sometimes useful to press, public and administration alike; obviously, there are times when certain information ought to be published "out" to identify the source of it would be embarrassing or prejudicial or troublesome in some other way.

#### And Worse...

But a high official threat to reassess Soviet-American relations is not one of those things that is a matter of major importance. Kissinger did not mean to make such a threat, he had no business being in a position where his words could be so interpreted; if he did mean it, the precise position of the administration should have been stated in some unmistakable fashion.

Worse, if Kissinger only wanted the Russians to think "in means to make such a threat," he was misleading the American press as a government messenger and misleading the public. As it happens, the White House is pulling back from the brink but that only leaves the episode to be interpreted any way one chooses.

The seriousness of this week's procedure was compounded by the fact that the pool reported notes, clearly identifying Kissinger, and approved by him were typed, reprinted, and handed out wholesale on the press plane.

That raises astronomically the odds that someone will misinterpret what was intended to be said; for instance, the quotation above are from the pool reported notes of what Dr. Kissinger said not from a verbatim record.

Finally, if what Kissinger purportedly said to the press was for relay to the press plane, he was misleading the press and the government document it was surely have borne a high second stamp. Yet, here was the President's highest-ranking national security aide passing such information to the press.

More confirmation is needed of the content of the New York Times and other newspapers in the "background" information that the government has handed out all sorts of security information on any occasion when to do so serves the government's political interests.



## Martino Proposes Nenni Break Italian Deadlock

16 (AP).—Deputy  
Pietro Martino, a  
leftist leader, said  
he would withdraw  
his name from the  
elections to break  
the deadlock.

Mr. Martino, the  
man who won a Stalin  
Prize in 1949, but  
developed a firm anti-  
Communist stand after  
the Russians crushed  
the Hungarian uprising  
in 1956.

Meanwhile, hectic talks  
were going on between  
the parliament's 13  
parties. Mr. Nenni's  
candidacy has not yet  
been officially announced  
by the Socialist party.

New Abstention  
After failing to muster  
full support from their  
own ranks, the Christian  
Democrats decided to  
abstain in voting last  
night and today. Mr.  
Fanfani never polled  
more than 393 out of  
his party's 423 votes.

Mr. de Martino again  
drew the solid backing  
of the Socialists, Com-  
munists and other left-  
ists for a total of 407.  
But the Marxist front  
could not get him any  
closer to the majority  
of 505 required for  
election.

As the Republicans  
have shown, Mr. Nenni  
could draw votes also  
from the moderate parties  
and achieve a majority  
even without Christian  
Democrat backing—  
provided he could draw  
the votes of the Demo-  
cratic Socialists, the  
Republicans and the  
conservative Liberals  
to those polled by Mr.  
de Martino.

Confronted with this  
possibility, the Christian  
Democrats might decide  
in the end to put forward  
another candidate in the  
place of Mr. Fanfani.

Before the voting started  
Dec. 9, Foreign Minister  
Aldo Moro and former  
Premier Giovanni Leone  
and Mariano Rumor were  
mentioned as possible  
Christian Democrat  
candidates.

The strong-willed Mr.  
Fanfani, however, might  
be unwilling to let  
another Christian Demo-  
crat try where he failed.  
Some political circles  
speculated he might  
prefer to let a non-Christian  
Democrat become Italy's  
sixth president.

100,000 Workers  
At Volkswagen  
Return to Work  
WOLFSBURG, Germany,  
Dec. 16 (AP).—Approx-  
imately 100,000 work-  
ers in six Volkswagen  
plants ended a nine-day  
enforced vacation and  
returned to their jobs  
today, the company said.

Like other German auto  
firms, Volkswagen had  
curtailed operations  
because of parts short-  
ages caused by a strike  
of metalworkers in south-  
west Germany. The  
three-week-long strike  
was settled this week.

Resumption of work at  
Volkswagen coincided  
with the announcement  
of a new wage contract  
providing a 7.5-percent  
increase for the 13 months  
ending Jan. 31, 1973.

Management said that  
agreement was reached  
during the night in its  
fifth round of talks with  
union representatives.

In addition, workers will  
receive a 150-mark lump-  
sum payment for the  
last two months of this  
year.

No sooner had the work-  
ers returned than they  
learned that 100,000 of  
them would be made  
idle Jan. 3-7 because of  
decreased domestic and  
foreign orders.



GENEVA BOMBING—Wrecked reception room at Jordanian mission to the European headquarters of the United Nations, destroyed by a parcel bomb delivered by a young man yesterday morning. It exploded when opened.

Free Two of Three Suspects  
British Search Jet to Beirut,  
Seek Jordanian's Attackers

LONDON, Dec. 16 (UPI).—The  
police held a Beirut-bound  
jetliner on the ground for  
nearly four hours today  
during a nationwide hunt  
for the men who shot at  
Jordan's Ambassador to  
London with a machine gun  
yesterday.

In Geneva, a parcel bomb  
delivered to the Jordanian  
mission to the European  
headquarters of the United  
Nations exploded on open-  
ing, seriously injuring  
two Swiss policemen and  
a fireman. The ambassa-  
dor was unharmed.

Officials at Heathrow Airport  
said that policemen had  
searched "every inch" of the  
British Overseas Airways Corp.  
VC-10 jet and all 108 passen-  
gers.

They took off a Palestinian  
couple, Mr. and Mrs. Imajin  
W. Sheehan, and questioned  
them at a police station. They  
were later released.

A man picked up about the  
same time at Gatwick, London's  
other major airport, was kept  
in custody.

A BOAC spokesman called the  
search "the most intense and  
thorough we have ever had  
in one of our aircraft." It was  
part of the hunt for two men  
who attacked Ambassador Zaid  
al-Rifai as he drove to work.

The assassination attempt  
came less than three weeks  
after gunmen in Cairo killed  
Premier Wasfi Tell of Jordan.

Mr. Rifai, a close friend of  
King Hussein, was resting  
comfortably under armed guard  
today at Fiteray Nuffield Clinic  
after surgery on a wounded  
hand. His wife said another  
operation would be performed  
next week.

The police also guarded King  
Hussein's two sons when they  
left on a Royal Jordanian Air-  
lines jet for Amman on their  
year-end holidays. Prince Ab-  
dullah, 9, and Prince Faisal, 8,  
attend private schools outside  
London.

In the search of the jet for  
Beirut, airport officials said they  
had been stunned by its intensi-  
ty. Christmas gifts were taken  
from their wrappings and police-  
men opened envelopes full of  
Christmas cards, scrutinizing each  
one.

A policewoman ran her fingers  
over the gifts, searching for  
any hidden weapons.

Egypt Sets Aims  
For New Jarring  
Mideast Mission  
UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec.  
16 (UPI).—Egypt said today  
it was "not going back to square  
one" in the peace mission of  
Swedish Ambassador Gunnar V.  
Jarring, which the General As-  
sembly asked to be reactivated.

An Egyptian mission spokes-  
man said that Foreign Minister  
Mohamed Riad, at his meeting  
with Mr. Jarring yesterday, told  
the Swedish mediator that he  
should resume his mission on the  
basis of the assembly resolution  
approved on Monday.

That resolution, stressing the  
"inadmissibility" of acquisition of  
territory by force, in effect again  
called for withdrawal of Israeli  
forces from Arab territories oc-  
cupied in the June, 1967, war.  
It also called for a reactivation  
of the Jarring mission, sus-  
pended since last March after  
Israel failed to give specific com-  
mitments in reply to a February  
memorandum from Mr. Jarring.  
Egypt gave such commitments.

## MP Charges South Africa With Spying Says Businessman in London Heads Ring

LONDON, Dec. 16 (UPI).—A  
Labor member of Parliament  
accused a British businessman to-  
day of being the head of a South  
African spy ring in London and  
called for a government investiga-  
tion.

James Wellbeloved, the MP,  
said the ring had been estab-  
lished by South Africa's Bureau of  
State Security (BOSS) to gather  
political and economic infor-  
mation and to infiltrate anti-apar-  
theid groups in Britain.

"There was one British citizen  
in particular, an ex-member of  
the South African police, who  
returned to this country under  
orders to set up this network,"  
Parliament was told. Mr. Well-  
beloved identified the man as  
John Ferrers Smith, the head of  
a business consultancy firm.

Mr. Smith was not available  
for comment, but his attorney,  
Lewis Ruskin, denied the charges.  
"Mr. Smith... totally denies  
the allegation made in the House  
of Commons," he said. "He is  
certainly not employed by the  
South African security services.  
He has never worked for BOSS."

The MP said he would submit  
a dossier on the activities of  
BOSS in Britain to the Home Of-  
fice for investigation.

Mr. Wellbeloved said that law-  
abiding organizations had been  
infiltrated by spies and informers  
and their premises had been  
broken into and their documents  
stolen.

He said also that victims "have  
another fear—that they cannot  
go to the police of this country  
because they believe the police  
are cooperating with the security  
services of the South African  
government."

He noted, however, that "many  
of the activities I am complain-  
ing about are not a breach of  
law," but the Home Office should  
still decide if these activities are  
"desirable."

Ambassador's Pledge  
Russia Vows to Support Cairo  
If It Opts for War With Israel

By Jesse W. Lewis Jr.  
all of the three-nation Federation  
of Arab Republics.

The council first met in Da-  
mascus in October and decided on  
further meetings every two  
months, political sources said.

CAIRO, Dec. 16 (WP).—Rus-  
sia's ambassador, Vladimir Vin-  
ogradov, said yesterday that the  
Soviet Union will support Egypt  
whether its decision is "peace or  
war" to regain territory occupied  
by Israel.

"If it is to be war, we will  
support you so that it will be a  
war with minimum losses. And if  
it is to be peace we will support  
you since it would be a solution  
with no losses," he said.

Mr. Vinogradov's remarks,  
made to a group of Egyptian jour-  
nalists, were reported in today's  
edition of Al-Gumhuriya, the daily  
newspaper of the Arab Socialist  
Union, Egypt's only legal political  
party.

His pledge came at a time of  
increased Russian activity in the  
Arab world. Soviet Defense Min-  
ister Andrei Grechko is in Iraq  
and is to visit Syria later this  
week.

A Soviet naval squadron, con-  
sisting of a training cruiser, two  
destroyers and a submarine, is  
paying a five-day "goodwill vi-  
sit" to the Syrian port of Lata-  
kia. The squadron commander,  
an Adm. Brodskiy, paid a call  
at Syrian Navy headquarters to-  
day.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian press  
continues to hail as a diplomatic  
victory the UN General Assem-  
bly resolution calling on Israel  
to accept the principle of with-  
drawal from occupied Arab land.

Arab Chiefs to Meet  
CAIRO, Dec. 16 (UPI).—The  
leaders of Egypt, Syria and Libya  
will meet next week for talks on  
recent developments in the Mid-  
dle East crisis, the semi-official  
Al-Ahram newspaper said today.  
Presidents Anwar Sadat of  
Egypt and Hafez Assad of Syria  
and Premier Moamer Qadhafi of  
Libya form the presidential coun-  
cil.

Sudan Civil War  
Fought in Uganda  
KAMPALA, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—  
Fierce fighting has been taking  
place just inside Uganda for the  
last two days between Sudanese  
government troops and southern  
Sudanese secessionists, a Ugandan  
military spokesman announced  
last night.

He said that unless the Sudan-  
ese forces withdraw by tomorrow  
morning Uganda will use "maxi-  
mum force" to protect its citi-  
zens and preserve its territorial  
integrity.



SURPRISE VISITORS—Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau and Mrs. Trudeau were the center of attraction at the Liberal party's Christmas gathering in Ottawa on Wednesday. Very few people expected Mrs. Trudeau to make an appearance as she is expecting a child any day now. As gifts, they received a Polaroid camera, some disposable diapers and a fur-lined pot to catch leaks in roof in wintertime.

Ulster Gunmen Hit Soldier,  
Then Fire on Ambulance

BELFAST, Dec. 16 (UPI).—  
Gunmen critically wounded a  
soldier in the Roman Catholic  
Falls Road area today, then  
shot up the civilian ambulance  
taking him to the hospital, the  
British Army said.

Other gunmen wounded a po-  
liceman escorting a group of  
schoolchildren across a busy  
street in the Catholic Ardoyne  
area.

An army spokesman said the  
soldier was hit when three  
snipers fired on a patrol in early-  
morning darkness. Bullets also  
raked the ambulance, but caused  
no further injuries, he said.

The police officer was nicked  
in the neck by bullets fired from  
a passing car, but "was able to  
sit up and have a cup of tea  
afterward," the spokesman said.  
None of the children he was  
escorting was hurt.

Gunmen also fired at three po-  
licemen in downtown London-  
derry, scattering Christmas  
shoppers but causing no injuries.  
The attacks came as the gov-  
ernment announced the resig-  
nation of Sir Edmund Compton,  
who headed a recent inquiry  
into alleged army brutality  
against prisoners. A spokesman  
said Sir Edmund, Northern Ire-  
land's ombudsman—an interme-  
diary between people and govern-  
ment—will be replaced by John  
Benn, the commissioner for com-  
plaints.

The Compton report drew  
sharp criticism from some quar-  
ters—including U.S. Sen. Edward  
M. Kennedy—where it was  
described as a "whitewash" of the  
British Army's activities in  
Ulster.

In Dublin today, Irish Republic  
Premier Jack Lynch renewed his  
call for a United Nations force  
to patrol his country's border  
with Northern Ireland.

Mr. Lynch first requested UN  
troops Monday in reply to British  
complaints that gunmen were  
using the Irish Republic as a  
sanctuary. Mr. Lynch today de-  
scribed this criticism as an effort  
"to conceal the failure of British  
policy in the North by attempt-  
ing to shift the focus of atten-  
tion to the border area."

In Belfast, police briefly se-  
aled off the downtown area after  
a bomb and fire damaged a  
factory store owned by Lord  
Mayor Joseph Cairns, but caused  
no injuries. Police said the  
streets were closed to allow fire-  
men to fight the blaze in the  
store specializing in fireplaces.

The army reported arresting 14  
persons in Belfast and one in  
Londonderry yesterday and this  
morning.

## New Berlin Phone Lines Kept Busy 110 Additional Links Used in Divided City

BERLIN, Dec. 16 (Reuters).—  
Postal officials in East and West  
Berlin switched in 110 new tele-  
phone lines between the two  
halves of the divided city today  
and within a short time all of  
them were constantly engaged.

Because of the installation of  
the new lines, which brings the  
total up to 150, West Berliners  
without a private phone were also  
given the opportunity to call their  
friends and relatives in East Ber-  
lin from public telephones.

Telephone communications in  
the city, broken off in 1952 by  
East German authorities, who  
charged that lines were being  
used for spying, were resumed last  
March with only 10 lines and a  
complicated operator system on  
both sides.

Meanwhile, the U.S. consulate  
in Berlin was today raised to a  
consulate-general, the U.S. mili-  
tary mission announced. It did  
not give an official explanation.

The move, however, was seen  
here as being in line with the re-  
cent four-power agreement on  
Berlin, which will allow the Soviet  
Union to open a consulate-gen-  
eral in West Berlin once the  
agreement comes into effect.

A brief statement said the U.S.  
minister in Berlin, David Klein,  
had appointed Alexander Akalov-  
sky as consul-general.

Iceland to Widen  
Fishing Limits

PARIS, Dec. 16 (AP).—Iceland  
formally notified the Council of  
Europe today that it will extend  
its fishery limits from 12 to 50  
miles as from Sept. 1, 1972.

Britain and West Germany,  
whose trawlers habitually fish in  
Icelandic waters, immediately  
protested against the move and  
called for international negotia-  
tions or arbitration.

Icelandic Foreign Minister  
Einar Agustinsson said Iceland  
acted because drawn-out negotia-  
tions had failed to reach any  
agreement and "could continue  
for years" while intense fishing  
by British and West German  
trawlers was continuing "to the  
detriment of Iceland's only nat-  
ural resource."

N.Y. Romanian Library

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (UPI).—  
Romania opened a library and  
cultural center in New York  
City near the United Nations yester-  
day. An American library will  
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## PARIS NIGHTLIFE

## Lido Extravaganza Lives Up To Spectacular Traditions

By Thomas Quinn Curtiss

PARIS, Dec. 16 (UPI)—In this rapidly altering world it is comforting to find one thing that does not change: the tip-top traditions of the Lido revues.

Time was when each holiday season brought another extravaganza to the Champs-Élysées club. Now this gala event occurs only every other year, but "Bonjour la Nuit," the latest Pierre Guérin-René Fraday production, which opened last evening, has been worth the wait. The lofty standards of the Lido have been commendably upheld, and it is extremely unlikely that in a tour of the globe you would encounter a show to match this one in dazzling décor, costume, novel numbers and beautiful girls. Revue is at its best in this spectacle.

All banality has been banished from the presentation which is fresh and quick and bright. Instead of the customary start with chorus boys lifting their top hats to the chorus girls (also in top hats), while both groups raise their voices in praise of Paris, champagne and amour, there is a dynamic tableau of flashing sky signs and Les Girls make their entrance on motorcycles with sparkling wheels. When G. K. Chesterton was led out to inspect the electric glory of Broadway, he remarked that it would be wonderful if one couldn't read. Michael Knight, the scenic designer, remembers the witicism in his vision of big-

city illumination. Using a reverse Cockney, he has struck the concluding "h" from the scotch and watch advertisements, practicing psychodrama to suit a surrealistic image. One might be in New York, Tokyo, Hong Kong or on the Champs-Élysées. Geography has been suspended in this introduction to Arabian Nights' cabaret entertainment.

Soon Eric Brenn is before us, setting plates afloat on slender, swaying poles and creating a veritable ballet of dancing dishes on a long table, juggling trays of glasses simultaneously. MacRony of melancholy mien demonstrates with a droll sense his nonoperative magic, and the Agnoscite perform on flying trapezes. Gino Donati's "bel canto" is interrupted by a noisy waiter from the auditorium who squeals comically as a crooner who proves an agile acrobat. The circus comes to town with a baby elephant Oita, executing a few rock steps and with a cage full of leaping leopards, beauties and beasts mingling in a safari excursion. Profane and pure love are contrasted in "Rue de la Joie" with the sight of street-walkers soliciting for lamplight to the graceful skating of Kiki and Clive in paradise blue as a couple of true romance.

"Blue Beard," rebold for adults, has been beautifully realized in Wakhevitich's fanciful, fairy-tale décor and with a glittering Polce wardrobe. Pictorially summing, it is filled with theatrical excitement which includes wedding nights, dashing swordplay and horses carrying their riders to the rescue. The exotic "Aux Frontières du Fantastique" is another spectacular high point with its eerie journey into the future where robots rule.

As "Bonjour la Nuit" is international in scope, it must contain something for everyone and American folk art is represented by two shaggy minstrels, Buddy Vest and Sterling Clark, who sing and dance of tangoes, religiosity and soft barroom hal-lads. Their individual numbers may please—they are said to be great favorites at home—but they are overexposed, appearing almost as frequently as the Bluebell Girls through the evening. This seems a slip of timing.

Bob Turk's choreography and overall direction are of the first order.

Mrs. Eddy Barclay  
... gold helmetBrigitte Bardot  
... rhinestone starBaronne de Rothschild  
... feathers

## Fashion: The Hats Were On and Off at Première

By Hebe Dorsey

PARIS, Dec. 16 (UPI)—The word went out on the invitations—wear an evening hat to the Lido premiere. Most women read and obeyed. But some went hatless last night.

Among the latter was the Duchess of Windsor, whose usual chignon was wrapped in gold mesh. She had asked the women at her table to ignore the hat message. So, Clara Saint went bareheaded while Mrs. Edmond Bory had a small gold bird in her black hair. Also hatless: Brigitte Bardot, with a kitschy rhinestone star in her hair, and Sylvie Vartan, her hair a mass of blond curls.

Yet on the whole, the milliners should have been happy. It takes only a little push to get women to wear hats again, as witness most of the crowd. There were lots of ostrich feathers, off stage as well as on—where not only the chorus girls but even the baby elephant was crowned with pink plumes. Marie-Hélène de Rothschild wore feathers, too.

Régine The funniest gag in the room was Régine's get-up. It takes a pompon (prize) for her topped French Navy outfit topped with sailor hat. Marine Guerand-Hermès had her neat, clear-cut features wrapped in a sly butterfly with a silver butterfly on the side. Elise Martelli looked like Cleopatra with a helmet made of silver strands. Mrs. Jerry Lewis wore a hot-pink headband with a rose on the side.

"My, but you look like a beautiful Florentine page boy," playwright Marcel Achard told Bettine, whose blond hair tumbled out of a big, black velvet beret. Black velvet top for Jane Birkin, who wore a cloche. Mrs. Jacques Rouet (whose husband is director of Dior) tucked a huge black rose into her chignon and Princess Vera Raschey had draped some brown chiffon around her face and pinned it to her hair with diamond brooch. Mrs. Rodolphe Torque (her husband is a well-known plastic surgeon) had to throw back her black veil—she couldn't see. But Mrs. Loris Asaro had no problems with her huge black veil flower that framed her face.

Marilyn Lauvin and Joy de Rohan-Chabot made a carefully-calculated grand entrance wear-

ing the largest hats in the room—a black halo for Mrs. Lauvin, a platter of pink flowers for Mrs. de Rohan-Chabot.

The dinner partners of both Dail and César wore tiny multi-colored caps. But Dail's escort, a well-known blond transvestite who calls himself Amanda, took his off almost immediately.

Millier Jean Barthez was happily counting his creations. "Sixty," he announced, "including Mrs. Martelli's and Mrs. Eddy Barclay's." As for Madame Pauleta, who was not there because she hates such functions, she was well represented with 20 hats.

Whether the hats helped or not, it was a good party—the lavish Lido premiere are always exciting. The Duke of Windsor came early and stayed late, squashing rumors that he is still alive.

"He had a roaring good time," a friend said. "He relished his dinner, applauded all the acts and drank his favorite whiskey." The duchess enjoyed the show too, although she didn't seem very happy about the wild animal act—they were in cages—and the Duchess of Windsor is a loyal member of the Association Protectors des Animaux. But she loved the baby elephant and wondered if it couldn't be brought to the table. Edmond (Pauchon) Bory convinced her that, no, really, it couldn't be done.

## Stradivarius Brings \$26,000

LONDON, Dec. 16 (UPI)—A 1734 Stradivarius violin sold today for the second highest price on record for such an instrument—to the dealer who six months ago set the world's record.

The Bond Street firm of William E. Hill and Son paid \$26,000 for the Red Diamond violin in an auction of musical instruments at Sotheby's.

The same firm, acting for an American collector, bought the Lady Elton Stradivarius in June for \$24,000, a record.

There was no indication whether the firm was acting for a private buyer today in purchasing the Red Diamond formerly owned by the Evergreen House Foundation in the United States.

## DANCE IN LONDON

## Brilliant In Spite of Bad Luck

By Oleg Kerensky

LONDON (UPI)—The last-minute leg injury which prevented Natalia Makarova, the former Kirov ballerina now resident with American Ballet Theatre, from making her guest debut with the Royal Ballet was not allowed to cast a blight over the annual gala Tuesday night in aid of the company's benevolent fund and of the school endowment fund.

It might easily have done so: After all, people had paid up to \$35 a seat for an occasion at which she would have been the most obvious attraction. Moreover David Wall, who was to have been her partner and who is one of the company's brightest male stars, was also indisposed, as was Lynn Seymour, Kenneth MacMillan's preferred ballerina. But these disappointments proved to be the proverbial ill wind, blowing us bonus items—Park and Nureyev in "The Nutcracker" pas de deux and Sibley and Dowell in Ashton's "Thais" pas de deux—which were at least as exciting as anything we missed. Indeed the reappearance of Antonietta Sibley, who has herself been away ill for a long time, aroused some of the greatest enthusiasm of the entire evening.

It turned out to be an excellent program, lasting three and a half hours yet without a single weak link. Even Deanna Berganza and Donald MacLeary, not usually thought of as the strongest of technicians, rose to the challenge of replacing Makarova and Wall in the "Black Swan" pas de deux with some brilliant virtuoso effects. Nureyev naturally rose to the occasion too, dancing brilliantly in all three sections of the program. He was best of all in his own version of "The Nutcracker" pas de deux, the balcony scene from MacMillan's "Romeo and Juliet," which he danced with Fonteyn as the climax of the evening, makes slightly less effect torn out of the context of the three-act ballet. He was admirable as the virile Red Knight in Ninette de Valois' "Checkmate," a kind of preview of the revival which officially joined the Royal Ballet's repertoire tonight together with Jerome Robbins' "Afternoon of a Faun."

"Checkmate" dates back to 1937 and the abstract décor by E. McKnight Kauffer now has a distinctly period look. The choreography, on the other hand, looks surprisingly modern—a kind of potted "Spartacus" 30 years ahead

of its time. Even Bilis's music is similar to Khachaturian's, while the themes of the two ballets are remarkably alike: De Valois's game of chess is a war between death and love, with death using love as a weapon and love resulting in death. Good, though Nureyev was he even seemed to be increasing the technical difficulties of the role and good though Monica Mason was as the cold but treacherously seductive Black Queen, the outstanding performance was Sir Robert Helpmann's as the frightened Red King. Helpmann originally created this part at the Paris premiere but for some reason he has never danced it at Covent Garden until now. He dominates the closing scenes of the ballet while always remaining in character, hypnotized by terror, weak and helpless.

"Afternoon of a Faun" is a most welcome addition to the repertoire. Any fears that it might look lost at Covent Garden were immediately allayed by the impact of Sibley and Dowell. My only reservation is that they do not look quite young enough for the narcissism of this ballet to seem completely innocent. But they are both strikingly good-looking and it goes without saying that their showing off, when they imagine themselves alone in front of the studio mirror, is admirably graceful and sensuous. Their

hasty return to normal exercise when they become aware of each other, and the brief moment of flirtation, are pretty touching, and it is good to be reminded how appropriate Robbins has found a new visual equivalent for Debussy's music.

No regularizer is needed of Ashton's choreographic genius, shown not only by the lyrical flowing "Thais" music, created for a previous charity gala, but also by the rhinestone, floating section of his unjustly neglected "Cinderella." Kenneth MacMillan, the Royal Ballet's director, was represented by the equally lyrical pas de deux from "Concerto" and by a new "Pas de Sept," based on the tune he created for his Berlin production of "The Sleeping Beauty" in 1967. MacMillan's choreography, like seven girls is sufficiently classically to fit Tchaikovsky's music and yet sufficiently different from Petipa to seem modern, and to revitalize dancers and audience.

I am sorry that MacMillan, unlike Ashton and De Valois, did not take a curtain call. After a period when his star has been declining, the audience would have welcomed an opportunity to thank him too, both for his new work and for the planning of a gala which was not just a triumph over adversity but a singular success in its own right.

## Entertainment in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (UPI)—This is how critics rated new films:

"The Ski Bum," directed by Bruce Clark, was reviewed by Roger Greenspun in The New York Times. It's "much more fun to tell who's in ('The Ski Bum') than to tell what's going on." Besides, says Greenspun, "Often you can't really tell... However, the cast is first-rate—much too good for the material." Zalman King plays Johnny, the ski bum, rich Burt Stone (Joseph Mell) enemy, who is in love with Samantha (Charlotte Rampling), the resort's swinging hostess. Dimitri Arliss plays Stone's restless wife. His daughter on screen is Lori Shelle.

"Nicholas and Alexandra," directed by Franklin J. Schaffner and adapted by James Goldman

from Robert K. Massie's best seller, received a cool critical reception in the U.S. premiere, with reaction ranging from "much less than a great movie" to "one of the most boring movies of the year." The New York Times critic, Vincent Canby says, however, that the film "covers such an extraordinary period, events so bizarre, and a course of history so implacable, that I was fascinated even through its dopey failures." Mr. Canby praises British performers Michael Jayston and Janet Suzman while he says, and "humously effective" whenever the screenplay allows them to be. He says the film's problem was in its "attempt to cram too big a picture into too small a frame," and calls it "something much less than a great movie."

In a harsher review, Rex Reed of the Daily News says it "qualified as one of the most boring movies of the year." There were so many things wrong with the film, he says, that "I hardly know where to begin."

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## Is Happiness an Ever-Rising GNP: An Analysis

By Frederick Andrew  
NEW YORK (AP-DJ)—How do you measure a society?  
You can count the number of people, of course, and the numbers of television sets and automobiles and indoor toilets. And you can get some idea what people do with themselves by looking up the gross national product (GNP), the unemployment rate, the crime rate, the per-capita income, the housing starts and the consumer loan volume.  
But does it add up to anything worthwhile? Can you tell whether all those things are worth producing? Can you tell whether the cost, in terms of resources and energy expended, is really worth it? Do higher income and lower unemployment necessarily add up to satisfaction and security? Is happiness an ever-rising GNP?  
To an increasingly vocal group of doubters, the answer to all those questions is no. The critics—whose ranks include economists, environmentalists, sociologists and social analysts of various other stripes—contend that the nation is recording its progress on a faulty report card. The statistics routinely gathered and used by the government to measure U.S. achievement fall far short of taking into account everything that ought to be considered, they say. National income statistics, for instance, are a "massive oversimplification," says economist Mancur Olson Jr., but they leave out "most of the things that make life worth living."  
The asserted inadequacies would not

matter so much, the critics say, except that the government and many private businesses and institutions use them to shape goals and priorities. Then they use the same statistics to measure progress.  
The existing statistical techniques have plenty of defenders, of course. Many experts in the various fields involved say government statistics generally do as good a job as could reasonably be expected. The important thing, they say, is to keep in mind the limitations of any given index when using it.  
The critics argue, however, that the indicators could be made better. One favorite target is the GNP, which is the sum of consumer spending, government purchases, gross business investment and net exports. It is a catchall that gives the same weight to luxuries like perfumes and gold toothpicks as to necessities like food and medical supplies.  
The GNP, critics say, tends to misrepresent the facts. "Virtually any type of disaster—personal or national—will cause the GNP to rise rather than fall," says F. Thomas Juster of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a nonprofit group. If workers gain more leisure, GNP is not increased—nor is it reduced by time wasted in a traffic jam.  
Further, he says, no account is taken of "the unwanted side effects of economic activity—rivers that cannot be used for recreation (or) parks cluttered with disposable bottles."  
The "production" of education is reck-

oned in terms of teachers' salaries and outlays for schools and equipment. The gain in pupils' knowledge is not measured.  
**Welfare Index Ruled Out**  
Other economists counter that the GNP was never intended as an all-purpose index of whether the nation is "better off." Further, asserts Edward P. Denison of the Brookings Institution, a nonprofit group, "a single, generally acceptable index of welfare cannot be constructed."  
The GNP does not pretend to measure effectiveness, Mr. Denison says. It counts the "soup, vacuum cleaners, washing machines" and other things a housewife buys, "not how clean her home and linen may be."  
Most economists would probably side with Mr. Denison in his defense. Still, work goes forward to devise new indicators.  
Mr. Juster, for one, sketches a system that would class almost everything as one kind of asset or another. It would include tangible capital assets like buildings and equipment but also intangible assets like knowledge and skills. The scheme would have a place for environmental assets (mineral wealth, for instance) and also for "sociopolitical environmental assets" like freedom or security.  
Then, in his view, the nation's output would be all the benefits derived from these assets, plus or minus changes in the stock of assets themselves. In this light, resources expended simply to maintain security, for example, would not add to net output.

## U.S. Housing Starts Rise In November

### Strength of Economy Shown, Romney Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—Housing and Urban Development Secretary George Romney said today seasonally adjusted November housing starts were 2,316,000 units, indicating the strength of the U.S. economy.  
Mr. Romney told a press conference that housing starts for 1971 will reach a record of over 2 million units, surpassing the previous record of 1,952,000 starts in 1950.  
When production of about 500,000 mobile homes was included, Mr. Romney said, the total housing production would be about 2.8 million units for 1971.  
The November figure compared with the October housing starts of 2,008,000, Mr. Romney said.  
He said the figures showed a more basic confidence in the economy than some people recognized.  
In the last quarter of 1971 housing starts have been annualized at a rate of almost 2.3 million units, he said.  
Unassisted private production in 1971 would account for about 80 percent of the starts.  
Mr. Romney attributed the high level of housing starts this year in large measure to the reduction in the cost of money and its availability.  
The basic problem in meeting housing needs, however, was not primarily financial but rising costs of land, taxes, money, labor and materials, he said.  
The housing secretary declined to predict the level of housing starts in 1972 but said that with the President's new economic program of curbing inflation, prospects "are exceptionally good."

## Wall St. Prices Gain As Volume Strengthens

By Vartan G. Vartan  
NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (NYT)—The stock market's year-end rally for 1971 continued to boom today with glamour issues setting the pace and many blue chips moving up more modestly on the New York Stock Exchange.  
Hopes for the resolution of the world monetary crisis—the swing factor in the market's dramatic turnaround during the last three weeks—continued to percolate in Wall Street.  
"There is also a little more evidence that the United States economy is picking up," noted Robert S. Danforth, partner in charge of investment research for Goldman, Sachs & Co.  
The Dow Jones industrial average, displaying big gains throughout the busy session, climbed to a post-Thanksgiving high. It rose 7.63 to finish at 871.39.  
On the day before Thanksgiving, the blue-chip Dow average closed at 786.63, or within 1 point of its 1971 low. Since that time, it has climbed 72.76, starting with sharp daily gains and then forming a consolidation pattern until yesterday, when it rose 8.60.  
But the big gains occurred in glamour issues not included in the 30 Dow industrials.  
International Business Machines rose 11 7/8 to 339. It opened on a block of 28,000 shares at 336, a single trade representing \$9.38 million worth of stock. Some analysts said that IBM benefited from institutional buying demand, as well as its role as a multinational company that would be helped by a realignment of currencies.  
Corning Glass Works, which set

a 1971 low yesterday, ran up 12 1/2 to 181. After the close of trading today, the company said it expected net income from operations to dip 5 percent this year.  
Honeywell, up 5 3/8 to 132 5/8, set a 1971 high.  
A total of 83 issues posted highs compared with only three lows. This contrasted with the previous session's 46 highs and 14 lows, demonstrating the bounce in the stock market today.

**Breadth Impressive**  
The breadth of the market's upswing was equally impressive. There were 1,029 advances and 448 declines, with most major groups contributing to the improvement.  
With many blocks crossing the tape, volume swelled to 21.07 million shares, the busiest session since Aug. 17, when 26.79 million shares changed hands.

Commenting on the stock market outlook, John N. Wall Jr., president of the Atlanta-based investment counseling firm of Wall, Patterson, McGraw & Richards, observed: "We can look for a very good year in the market in 1972 and, as of now, the prospects look good well into 1973."  
Renaissance Fund, the volume leader, rose 3/8 to 18 3/4. It was followed on the active list by City Investing, up 1 1/4 to 18 3/8, and American Telephone & Telegraph off 1/8 to 42.

General Motors rose 3/8 to 70 3/4 in a higher auto group. Chrysler firmed 1/2 to 28 5/8 and Ford rose 3/4 to 68 3/4. American Motors closed at 7 3/8, up 1/4.  
At the end of today's session, the American Exchange index stood at 25.12, up 0.11. Advancing issues led declines 576 to 358, with 283 issues unchanged. Volume rose to 4,288,455 shares from 3,850,000 yesterday.

Camco went against the market trend and closed with a loss of 3/8 at 12 5/8. The company reported sharply lower earnings.

On the bond market corporate bonds closed virtually unchanged in very quiet trading while government treasury bills and coupon issues registered some small gains.

Dealers said the corporate market was extremely quiet with most traders apparently content to remain on the sidelines for the rest of the year.

## BP Confirms Forties Field Is Major Find

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP-DJ)—British Petroleum confirmed today that its Forties oil field in the British sector of the North Sea is a major find and that work will start immediately on developing it.  
First stage plans, estimated to cost about \$400 million, excluding drilling costs, provide for daily production rates of 250,000 barrels by late 1973.

BP said that, depending on plans for second stage development of the field, total production could reach about 400,000 barrels a day.

## Spain Stops Dealings On Currency Exchange

MADRID, Dec. 16 (AP-DJ)—The Spanish foreign currency institute closed the foreign exchange market today until further notice. No explanation was given.

The market had opened with the dollar at 66.24-67.05 pesetas, compared with 66.95-67.01 yesterday.

Dealers said the shutdown might have been ordered to cut off an excessive flow of dollars into Spain. They said it may represent after the weekend Group of Ten meeting.

Banks continued exchanging dollars up to a limit of 5,000 pesetas.

## ATT Profit Up 4.6% in Fourth Quarter

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—American Telephone & Telegraph net profit rose 4.6 percent in the fourth quarter and 3 percent in the year ended Nov. 30, the company reported today.

Fourth-quarter net was \$572 million, or 99 cents a share, up from \$547 million, or \$1 a share, in last year's period. Turnover rose 6 percent to \$4.7 billion from the year-ago \$4.4 billion.

On the year, ATT's earnings were \$2.25 billion, or \$4.02 a share, up from \$2.18 billion, or \$3.97 a share, last year. Turnover increased 8.3 percent to \$18.3 billion from \$16.9 billion.

Commenting on the results, chairman H. I. Romney said the Bell System added 1,452,000 telephones in the fourth quarter, more than in any quarter since 1969. Long-distance calls climbed 9 percent above the same period last year.

Mr. Romney said: "These are

hopeful signs. If these upward trends continue, our business and its shareholders will benefit directly. We have the plant in place to handle increased demand."

He also said further progress has been made in replicating communications services at rates "that more realistically reflect their value today."

Since the beginning of 1970, Mr. Romney said, Bell companies have been authorized some \$1 billion annually in rate increases and currently have on file 32 other rate cases.

He said that if all are approved, these cases would add an estimated \$1.5 billion annually to revenues.

Mr. Romney said these replicating efforts should improve earnings, a step necessary if Bell is to attract new capital needed to

finance its massive construction program in the years ahead.  
"We have to undertake these programs now, regardless of inflationary conditions or the high cost of money, if we are to meet our growing service obligations to the public," Mr. Romney said.

## Company Reports

### International Harvester

	1971	1970
Second Quarter		
Revenue (millions)	891.2	764.4
Profits (millions)	25.96	12.8
Per Share	0.95	0.46
Year		
Revenue (millions)	3,018.3	2,711.5
Profits (millions)	45.2	52.4
Per Share	1.55	1.82

### General Mills

	1971	1970
Second Quarter		
Revenue (millions)	369.1	307.2
Profits (millions)	16.29	12.5
Per Share	0.73	0.61
First Half		
Revenue (millions)	664.2	576.0
Profits (millions)	28.1	24.97
Per Share	1.20	1.13

## NEWS AND NOTES

### Steel Firms Set Quotas

Japan's six major steelmakers have agreed to fix their combined crude steel output ceiling at 17.55 million tons in next year's January to March period. The six, who account for over 80 percent of Japan's total steel output, received approval to form a "depression cartel" from the Japan Trade Commission on Dec. 8. They are Nippon Steel, Nippon Kokan, Kawasaki Steel, Sumitomo Metal Industries, Kobe Steel, and Nisshin Steel. The agreement sets a ceiling of 7.3 million tons for Nippon Steel, 3.6 million tons for Nippon Kokan, 2.5 million tons each for Kawasaki and Sumitomo, 1.32 million tons for Kobe and 672,000 tons for Nisshin.

### KLM Expects Loss

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines will show a "substantial" loss for the year ending March 31, compared with a profit equal to \$14.9 million for the year earlier, executive board chairman G. van der Wal says. Mr. Van der Wal notes that a rise in operating expenses for the year will "considerably" exceed the estimated 13 percent increase in operating revenues. For the first half of the year, KLM reported net profit dropped to \$13.1 million from \$27.8 million for the year earlier.

### Matsushita Off Taiwan

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. says it will stop investing in its two joint ventures with the government of Taiwan because "the firms have grown large enough to be independent." Matsushita officials gave no further explanations, but the decision is believed linked to efforts to establish trade relations with China. The Japanese electronics maker did not say if it would accept Peking's demands that any Japanese firm which wants to trade with China must end its business relations with Taiwan and South Korea. Several major Japanese electronic firms, including Hitachi and Sharp, have said they will accept the Chinese conditions.

## One Dollar—

LONDON (AP-DJ)—The following are the late or closing interbank rates for the dollar on the major international exchanges:

	Dec. 16 '71	Today	Previous
Stock (per \$)	2.5195	2.5195	
Belgian franc	46.53-57	46.49-52	
Deutsche mark	3.2575	3.2500	
French Fr. Fr.	5.28-28	5.28-31	
Quintar	2.272	2.269	
Swiss franc	2.820-2.860	2.873-2.878	
Yen	321.25	321.25	

Matsushita established Matsushita Electronic Taiwan Co. in October 1962 and Taimatsu Industrial Co. in January 1966 to produce television sets, radios, stereo record players and other electronic equipment. Matsushita owns 61 percent of each company.

### Nigeria Signs Oil Pacts

Nigeria has signed separate agreements with Japan Petroleum Co. and West Germany's Deminor oil consortium to establish joint, offshore oil ventures. Nigeria will hold a 61 percent participating interest. The agreements, similar to one signed by Occidental Oil Co. of the United States in October, will give the Nigerian government 51 percent participating interest when commercial quantities of oil are discovered. The oil fields off the Nigerian coast currently produce some 1.6 million barrels of crude oil a day, making this west African nation the world's 10th largest oil producer with an annual income of an estimated \$1 billion.

## Aerospace Sales Seen Declining \$400 Million in '72

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—Declining commercial aircraft and space sales will cause total aerospace industry sales to drop \$400 million in 1972, Aerospace Industries Association president Karl G. Harr Jr. said today.

Mr. Harr, in presenting the association's annual forecast at a luncheon meeting, said that total industry sales are projected to drop to \$22.8 billion in 1972 from \$23.3 billion in 1971.

Commercial sales are forecast to decline to \$4.5 billion from \$4.9 billion in 1971 and space sales from \$3.2 billion to \$2.9 billion.

Mr. Harr said sales to the Defense Department are expected to increase to \$14 billion in 1972 compared to \$13.3 billion in 1971.

But 1972 should represent the low point in aerospace industry sales, he said. "We expect a gradual but steady increase during the balance of the '70s," he added.

### Eurodollar Borrowings

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—Eurodollar borrowings by U. S. banks from their foreign branches dropped \$574 million in the week ended Dec. 8 to \$1,823 billion outstanding. The Federal Reserve reported yesterday. The drop, the third in a row, follows a \$752 million decline in the previous week.

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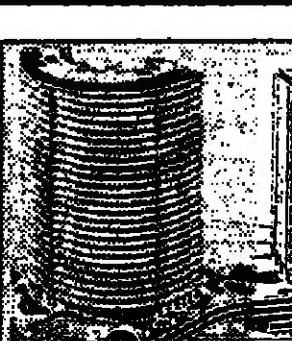
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## Observer

## Don't Tell Old Pharaoh

By Russell Baker

WASHINGTON. — Isn't there anybody left in the United States who feels himself the victim of injustice?

The question comes to mind because of the heavy volume of complaint lately in which spokesmen for the American discontented, speaking for large, ill-defined constituencies, talk about their oppression. No group with an ax to grind is socially aggrieved these days, or politically abused, or economically cheated. They are invariably oppressed.

What they really are, of course, is afflicted; they are suffering from the fearful late 20th-century epidemic of verbal bloat. The victim of verbal bloat is incapable of saying that the economic short-changing the country has given him is "injustice"; he must call it "oppression."

Verbal bloat is often justified by its sufferers on grounds that the only way to draw attention to a grievance these days is to scream, pound the table and blow up the chicken house. In short, by abandoning reason.

There are practical reasons for rejecting their defense. The overstated argument distracts attention from the merits of the case and focuses it, instead, on the absurdity of the overstatement.

Man's first landing on the moon, for example, was a splendid event, but when President Nixon, in a seizure of verbal excess, called it the greatest happening since creation, silliness threatened to break out all over.

There are differences between creation and mankind's splendid moments, one of them being a certain weight within the word "creation" which leaves us feeling that it was an event beyond man's capacity to duplicate.

In the same way, there are differences between injustice and oppression. Oppression is another word of great weight, but here the sense of weight is cold, cruel, stony; the weight of pyramids bearing down on a humanity without hope of mercy or justice.

Is it this hopelessness that we are supposed to feel when women liberationists speak of the "oppression" of women in the United States? Surely not. A sensible case exists that women as a group are subject to certain unjust exploitations. Fine. Let's do something about it.

One good way to distract attention from the justice of doing something about it, however, is to bring up the subject of "oppression." Here is a typical example of how verbal bloat works to damage the cause it professes to serve.

First, the disinterested mind, which might have been hospitable to correcting injustice, is sidetracked into pondering the vast stony weight of the word "oppression."

"Oppression," it must, "slaves tolling hopelessly for pharaoh with no hope this side of death. Surely the women I encounter are in no such predicament. Neither, surely, can be these women who are writing books, telling the television audience and complaining to newspapers that they are oppressed. Oppressed people are not permitted to write books and have no access to either television or press."

Somebody, this methodical mind may conclude, is doing an outrageous oversteering job.

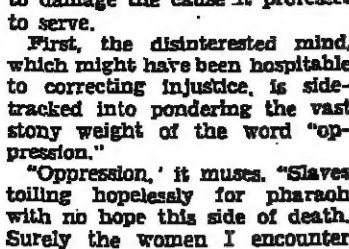
Another unhappy result, of course, is to leave American men with a sense of discontent. If they are to think of American women as "oppressed," they must inevitably inquire "Who is the oppressor?"

Now it is very hard for the average American man to take very seriously the idea of himself as oppressor.

His knowledge of oppressors has been formed by Cecil B. DeMille. An oppressor is an overweight fellow, usually wearing sheets or metal, who lies around on cushions drinking wine and being fed grapes by beautiful slave girls. Periodically, he snaps his fingers and has somebody tortured.

Nobody at this stage of television criticism needs to be reminded how much at variance this is with the true rule of the American man. Oppressor? He might love to be. But what is he, in fact? With excessive self-pity but some justification, he tells himself "Bill, payer! Woman-serve! Child-support! House-lack!"

The aim was to stir him to fight injustice. The result has been to make him yearn for the oppressor's throne.



Baker

## The Saints Nicholas of Munich

By Stuart Goldschen

MUNICH (AP) — Several thousand families in Munich requested a visit from St. Nicholas this year, and hundreds of citizens turned saint for two nights to fill the orders. The saint included 62 university students who called on 1,400 families.

Germany's St. Nicholas is not the Santa Claus popular in other parts of the world, but he plays a similar role although it is three weeks before Christmas. Nearly every German family celebrates his arrival on Dec. 5 and 6. The Christ Child is said to be the giver of gifts found under the Christmas tree.

St. Nicholas is invited to homes to speak to children and adults alike about their behavior during the past year before the coming Christmas holiday. He asks the children if they have been good or bad, leaves gifts for all and disappears in the midst of holiday preparations.

The student saints answered requests listed at the university job office, and other part-time St. Nicholas offered their services through advertisements in local newspapers. Each visit is about 15 minutes, for which Saint Nicholas earns from \$4 to \$6.

Dressed in flowing robes with embroidered crucifixes, topped by a mitre, and bearing a curled cleric's staff, St. Nicholas appears to be a medieval archbishop dashing from home to home on an urgent religious mission. His long, white beard, a large sack for gifts, and a loud "ho, ho, ho" for everyone, however, reveal a modern approach more in step with Santa Claus.

Ulrich Schwab, 30, a lawyer here who has played the part for the past six years, said St. Nicholas, the 4th-century bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, plays no religious role these days, although the dress preserves the historical significance of the personage.

Mr. Schwab made 28 visits this year to families and gatherings of all social and economic classes. He visited homes, businesses and a strip-tease bar. He entered with a loud greeting, ordered fathers to turn off the television or bosses to stop working, and lectured from the "Golden Book of Good and Bad Deeds."

He said parents often leave gifts outside the door just before he arrives so he can put them in his sack and give them to the children when he enters. Parents also leave personal notes about their children.

"If I could a boy for having eaten all the chocolate pudding in the refrigerator yesterday, it has a tremendous effect," Mr. Schwab said. "He does not know how I could have known that fact."

## A College of Unconventional Knowledge

NEW YORK (UPI) — When you hear about "the new college" you might be tempted to call it "the no college."

To open in Minneapolis-St. Paul in February, this Minnesota Metropolitan State College will have no permanent faculty, no campus, no grades, no special hours, no semesters, no standard courses for students and no real salary for teachers.

The aim was to stir him to fight injustice. The result has been to make him yearn for the oppressor's throne.

A candidate who is worthy but who otherwise lacks some credentials deemed desirable for admission.

Dr. Sweet, a native of Holyoke, Mass., is president of the new college. Formerly he was vice-chancellor for academic affairs in the Minnesota state college system.

The new college is the type called for by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education and the Newman Task Force have called for to meet the needs of persons not served presently by existing institutions.

Dr. Sweet is proud of the fact that the Minnesota school was in the blueprint stage before the Carnegie or Newman groups called for broad changes in the superstructure of higher education.

The community in the Minneapolis-St. Paul and seven-county area to be served by the college will be used as a campus. Classrooms and laboratories will include libraries, factories, museums, parks, schools, churches, business and government offices. Dr. Sweet said any place there are

people and an environment conducive to learning will be a part of the campus.

The main faculty will consist of persons who have full-time responsibility unconnected with the college. Among such "tutors" will be business and professional people, labor leaders, housewives, social workers, policemen, correctional facility personnel, traffic planners and journalists.

Degrees will be granted to students who have demonstrated "competency in learning, vocational skills, personal growth."



A Munich St. Nicholas at work.

Mr. Schwab said that he is asked to appear in the role of an entertainer before business groups and adult parties. But he is not reluctant to scold his hosts for overeating, heavy drinking or childish behavior.

Many of the families and groups that Mr. Schwab visits call him back each year, and his workload is increasingly more difficult to handle. He said there is a greater demand now for the services of St. Nicholas than ever before, because Germans have more money to spend.

Mr. Schwab earned \$200 this year, but he said the pace was so frantic that he decided to make this his last season as a saint.

Sociology student Alexander Hoeschke, another St. Nicholas this year, agreed. "I do everything impromptu, and I have to really concentrate," he said. "After 10 visits a night, I'm really exhausted."

What do you say, he asked, when a child insists that St. Nicholas threw his mother into the garbage can?

## PEOPLE: Miss World Promote 'Freeze' Her Title

BRASILIAN beauty Lucie Petterle is almost certain to be frozen out of her role as Miss World 1971, the contest organizer announced late Wednesday night. Julia Morley, director of Mecca, the Miss World organization, accused the tawny-haired medical student from Rio de Janeiro of "wild outbursts" during her one-month reign as the world's prettiest girl. Miss Petterle, 22, has refused to sign the usual one-year contract with Mecca — a stipend that is reckoned to be worth at least \$75,000, in personal appearances and endorsements. She was said by Brazilian diplomats last month to feel the year-long round of engagements — which traditionally include a trip to Vietnam with American comedian Bob Hope — would be too demanding. Mrs. Morley indicated Miss Petterle's reign was now over, adding that Miss Petterle could keep the title but not use it commercially. "It is almost certain," she said, "that the 1971 title of Miss World will be frozen."

As a crowd of well-wishers waved goodbye, Bob Hope and his "Operation Jingle Bells" troupe left Wednesday on a 15-day tour to entertain American servicemen and women in the Pacific. Morley said she would be in Manila on his last overseas Christmas tour were 78 performers, musicians and technicians who will film the show for television broadcast next month.

Princess Margrethe, heiress to the Danish throne, has accepted repeated invitations to become the first member of Denmark's royal house to visit the Soviet Union since the Communist revolution, the court announced. A spokesman said palace plans for the princess, 31, and Prince Henrik, 36, her French-born husband, to fly to Moscow in the spring, probably in early May, for a semi-private visit as the guests of the Soviet government. The couple, who made several stopovers in Soviet airports when traveling to and from the Far East in recent years, were last invited by Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin during his official visit to Denmark early this month, the court spokesman said.

American rock musician Frank Zappa, thrown off the stage and injured by an angry London fan, will be out of work for the next three or four months because of the injuries, his manager said yesterday. The 31-year-old fan was attacked last Friday while he was leading the M. of Invention at a concert. Zappa, a composer, fractious, leg and heavy multiple bruise, doctors said first reports of damage and internal injuries were wrong. Construction worker Warren Howell, 24, was later off with a skull fracture. Group manager Cohen said Zappa would be hospitalized for three weeks and would not be able to sing until at least March. The Mothers of Invention canceled three shows in England after the accident and set other plans for appearances in the United States. It was a second recent accident for Mothers, who lost all their instruments and equipment in a fire in France, a week before Zappa was hurt.

Any city-dweller dreams of retreating to the suburbs and own little house should bark the prediction of Edward B. Stone, the architect, who said San Diego: "Everybody wants own house on his own 50-60 foot lot. This is a mistake. We should build walkable town houses facing on de-sac or courtyards, with buildings having their own center, well-removed cars. You can say that I predict that this is all coming in the too-distant future. The family house is ultimately doomed."

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